

Do You Keep a Confession Book? It's the Thing Now



Princess of Pless.

First One Is Credited to
Mrs. Jack Gardner,
of Boston.

Handsomest Owned by
American Duchess of
Marlborough.

Duchess of Manchester's
Has Decorations in
Water Colors.

"Do you keep a confession book?"
This is a question which
women are asking each
other.

If you say "No," the reply is "How shocking!"
If you say yes then it is a very un-
quisitive, unemotional woman who does
not ask to see it.

Mrs. Jack Gardner, Inventor.

The first confession book ever known
in this country belonged to Mrs. Jack
Gardner of Boston. No one ever saw
the inside of its pages.

The handsomest confession book in
the world is the property of Consuelo,
Duchess of Marlborough. Its cover is
Oriental canvas. Its lettering is in en-
amel upon white satin. From its end
hang two white streamers upon one of
which is a diamond good luck horseshoe.
Each page within is beautifully deco-
rated.

The beautiful Princess of Pless has
a confession book which locks with a
little gold key. Its first few pages have
been read aloud to people. But the in-
ner pages are sealed. They contain the
confessions of the human heart, the
day's doings and the life's events.

Painted in Water Color.

The Duchess of Manchester has a con-
fession book, each page of which is
beautifully painted. The book is made
of satin and the decorations are in
water colors.

Mrs. Duchess of Roxburgh, possesses
a book which is unique. It is a con-
fession book. It is heart shaped and upon
each page there is a little heart-shaped
pocket into which can be slipped a leaf.
Just what the little American Duchess
has found to record in her new home no
one knows. The confession book lies
in the boudoir of Floors castle.

A confession book now being finished
for a bride of fall is large and square
and canvas covered. Inside the pages
are decorated and at the top of each
there is lettering. On the different
pages appear:

"Today we had our first quarrel."

"Tonight he stayed out for the first
time."

"This afternoon I had my first home-
sickness."

"I gave my first dinner party last
evening."

And so on until all the pages of the
book are filled.

New Year Confessions.

A certain man gives his wife a con-
fession book every New Year Day. She
is expected to fill it, and give it back
to him next New Year Day. One man
read "confessions" like this:

"For one whole year I have longed for
a pearl collar."

"I am learning to smoke cigarettes
so as to keep my husband company.
Poor husband!"

"I lost \$50 at bridge. I will tell hus-
band next New Year Day."

After two years of this he gave up the
confession book scheme.

The Queen of England received a box
inlaid with pearls. Inside there lay a
small pearl set. It was labeled: "Alex-
andra, Confessions." The Queen con-
fessed to many things which were, how-
ever, very mortal. Her favorite dish
was Yorkshire pudding.

No Man Ever Will.

No man has ever yet kept a con-
fession book. It is feared that no man ever
will.

Miss Helen Gould had a book given to
her. It was labeled as to its pages:

"The number of times I have been in
the country."



Mrs. Arthur Paget.



Mrs. Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt.



Mrs. Payne Whitney.



Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson.



Mrs. A. J. Drexel.

A New York Man's Ex-
perience With Books
for His Wife.

Some That Have Care-
lessly Gone to the
Wrong Persons.

These Books Would
Make Novel Gifts for
Your Friends.



The Duchess of Marlborough's Confession Book.

"How many times I have gambled."
"Too much champagne."
"My favorite dissipation, charitable
and otherwise."
"My full name, my full age, and my
full ambition."
Another confession book has its pages
headed:

"What I hope."
"What I fear."
"Whom I love."
"Whom I hate."
"Whom I serve."
"My ambition in the next life."

The First Page.

All confession books begin with a
blank page, upon which are roughly in-
scribed from ten to twenty questions.
This is what is called "My favorite
page." The questions are as to your
favorite hero, favorite artist, occupa-
tion, amusement, flower, color, virtue,
dish, and motto. They also include your
favorite locality, your favorite dislike,
and your favorite ambition. You must
also name your favorite hero, and your
pet heroine.

A confession book makes a charming
present. It can be very elaborate or it
can be plain. It can be bound with
satin and set with jewels or it can be a
simple blank book, made attractive with
the manner in which it is treated with-
in.

But whatever else you do, have a con-
fession book. It is necessary. You can
not afford to be without it. It is society's
latest fad and you must be a faddist
along with the others.



Mrs. George Gould.

Confession Book of DUCHESS OF MARLBOROUGH

Favorite King..... King Edward.
Favorite Queen..... The Czarina.
Favorite hero..... Marlborough.
Favorite poet..... Alfred Austin.
Favorite artist..... Sargent.
Virtue..... Humility.
Color..... Corn Color.
Name..... Alexandra.
Favorite occupation..... Hand painting.
Favorite amusement..... Sport of Kings—Racing.
Favorite dish..... Yorkshire pudding.
Motto..... Honi soit qui mal y pense.
Dislike..... Monotony.
Favorite locality..... England.
Ambition..... To be great and good.

Confession Book of THE PRINCESS OF PLESS.

Favorite King..... His Gracious Majesty.
Favorite Queen..... Alexandra.
Favorite hero..... Marlborough.
Favorite poet..... Poet Laureate.
Favorite artist..... Beardsley.
Virtue..... A quick wit.
Color..... Royal blue.
Flower..... The orchid.
Name..... Albert Edward.
Favorite occupation..... House boating.
Favorite amusement..... Polite conversation.
Favorite dish..... Afternoon tea.
Motto..... Noblesse oblige.
Dislike..... Monotony.
Favorite locality..... Monte Carlo.
Ambition..... To be a social queen.

Confession Book of MRS. DREXEL.

Favorite King..... My husband.
Favorite Queen..... Victoria.
Favorite hero..... Dewey.
Favorite singer..... Calve.
Favorite writer..... Kipling.
Virtue..... Generosity.
Color..... Cherry red.
Flower..... Orchid.
Name..... Violet.
Favorite occupation..... Reading.
Favorite amusement..... Dogs and horses.
Favorite dish..... Rarebits.
Motto..... The Creed.
Dislike..... Fault finding.
Favorite locality..... Paris.
Ambition..... Prize dogs.

Confession Book of MRS. PAYNE WHITNEY.

Favorite King..... King of Denmark.
Favorite Queen..... Queen Bess of England.
Favorite poet..... Shelley.
Favorite artist..... Carolus Duran.
Favorite novelist..... Charles Dickens.
Favorite heroine..... Joan of Arc.
Favorite character in history..... Napoleon.
Virtue..... Truth.
Color..... White.
Favorite locality..... The West.
Favorite amusement..... Writing.
Favorite occupation..... Charitable work.
Motto..... Be good unto others.
Ambition..... To be a great writer.

Confession Book of MRS. ALFRED GWYNNE VANDERBILT.

Favorite King..... Alfred the Great.
Favorite Queen..... Queen Victoria.
Favorite hero..... Napoleon.
Favorite poet..... Kipling.
Favorite artist..... Abbey.
Virtue..... Charity.
Color..... Turquoise blue.
Flower..... Pansy.
Name..... Alfred.
Favorite occupation..... Playing the piano.
Favorite amusement..... Coaching.
Favorite dish..... French dishes.
Motto..... Have patience.
Dislike..... Quarreling.
Favorite locality..... New England.
Ambition..... To be loved forever.

Confession Book of MRS. GEORGE GOULD.

Favorite King..... King Edward the VII.
Favorite Queen..... Alexandra.
Favorite hero..... Admiral Dewey.
Favorite poet..... Whittier.
Favorite artist..... Carolus Duran.
Virtue..... Domesticity.
Color..... Cherry red.
Flower..... American Beauty rose.
Name..... Marjorie.
Favorite amusement..... Nursery.
Favorite occupation..... Embroidery.
Favorite dish..... Terrapin.
Motto..... Do unto others as you would that
they should do to you.
Dislike..... Gossip.
Favorite locality..... Home.
Ambition..... To be liked.

Confession Book of MRS. ARTHUR PAGET.

Favorite King..... Edward, of course.
Favorite Queen..... His wife.
Favorite heroine..... Pocahontas.
Favorite poet..... All American poets.
Favorite artist..... Raphael.
Virtue..... Originality.
Color..... True blue.
Flower..... Forget-me-not.
Name..... Theodore.
Favorite occupation..... China painting.
Favorite amusement..... Fine horses.
Favorite dish..... Strawberry shortcake.
Motto..... Be good and you will be happy.
Dislike..... Idleness.
Favorite locality..... Washington, D. C.
Ambition..... To write a play.

Confession Book of MRS. BURKE-ROCHE.

Favorite King..... Edward VII of England.
Favorite Queen..... Alexandra.
Favorite hero..... Theodore Roosevelt.
Favorite writer..... Charles Dickens.
Favorite painter..... Whistler.
The best virtue..... Religion.
Prettiest color..... True blue.
Sweetest flower..... Rose.
Prettiest name..... The name of the one we love best.
Favorite occupation..... Embroidery.
Favorite amusement..... Dancing.
Favorite dish..... The national bird.
Motto..... Honi soit qui mal y pense.
Dearest dislike..... The busybody.
Favorite locality..... The country.
Ambition..... Music.

Confession Book of MRS. CHARLES DANA GIBSON.

Favorite King..... Richard Coeur de Lion.
Favorite Queen..... Victoria.
Favorite heroine..... Joan of Arc.
Favorite poet..... Secretary Hay.
Favorite artist..... My husband.
Virtue..... Love.
Color..... Shell pink.
Flower..... Geranium.
Name..... Charles.
Favorite occupation..... Sewing and singing.
Favorite amusement..... Piano and singing.
Favorite dish..... Southern dishes.
Motto..... Nothing succeeds like success.
Dislike..... Society.
Favorite locality..... The South.
Ambition..... To ride horseback.